

FORM PTO-1390 (Modified) (REV 10-95)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER 192697USC/PCT
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (IF KNOWN, SEE 37 CFR 09 / 581180	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP98/05236	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 20 November 1998	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 22 December 1997	
TITLE OF INVENTION GRANULAR SWEETENER			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Hirotoshi ISHIDA, et al.			
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:			
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.			
2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.			
3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).			
4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.			
5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c) (2))			
a. <input type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).			
b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau.			
c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).			
6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).			
7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).			
8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))			
a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).			
b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau.			
c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.			
d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.			
9. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).			
10. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).			
11. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409).			
12. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).			
Items 13 to 18 below concern document(s) or information included:			
13. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.			
14. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.			
15. <input type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment.			
A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.			
16. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.			
17. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.			
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Request for Consideration of Documents Cited in International Search Report Notice of Priority PCT/IB/304 PCT/IB/308			

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20. The following fees are submitted:

BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) - (5)) :

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO	\$840.00
<input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482)	\$670.00
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<input type="checkbox"/> Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO	\$970.00
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Total claims	3 - 20 =	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
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A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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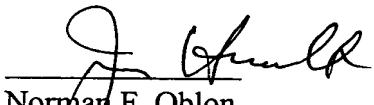
Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicant claims as priority:

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NO	DAY/MONTH/YEAR
JAPAN	9/352728	22 December 1997

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention application(s) were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application No. PCT/JP98/05236. Receipt of the certified copy(s) by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.

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